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TWO INTERESTING WEDDINGS IN LONDON TO-DAY.



Miss Violet Bampfylde, daughter of the Hon. Coplestone and Mrs. Bampfylde, and granddaughter of Lord Poltimore, is to be married to-day at St. Peter's Church, Eaton-square, S.W., to Viscount Cranley, elder son of the Earl of Onslow.



Miss Jennie H. Monsell, daughter of Colonel Bolton Monsell, Chief Constable of the Metropolitan Police, is to be married to-day, at the Guards' Chapel, Wellington Barracks, to Mr. H. G. Watkins, of the Coldstream Guards, son of the Rev. H. G. and Mrs. Watkins, of Lilliput House, Dorset.

EVIDENCE.

10, Algernon Road, Hendon, January 9, 1905.

"I have to testify to the surpassing efficacy of your LUNG TONIC in complaints affecting the lungs, bronchial and nasal organs. I have suffered severely with this complaint, which commenced three months ago with sore throat and catarrh. During the fog of Christmas week it settled on my lungs to such an extent that I could hardly breathe. I had to give up all my work, nothing more searching than lozenges and gargles was necessary, so I purchased a bottle of your LUNG TONIC. I am glad to say I found immediate relief and now, in the middle of the second bottle, I find myself cured, which I think is a wonderful testimony to the power of your valuable medicine. I have been taking all sorts of remedies, with only temporary results, for three months previous to trying your LUNG TONIC."

JAMES WILDE.

13, Smith Street, Newark.

"I have great pleasure in thanking you for the good remedy called LUNG TONIC. I have told that it was very good for coughs and colds, and I give it a trial a fortnight ago. It has done me more good than all the remedies I have taken."

T. CROOM.

"I think it my duty to thank you for what your LUNG TONIC has done for me. I suffered with Asthma for four years very badly. Now I can thank God, I am quite free from the complaint, and if anybody is suffering I will be pleased to say anything in favour of your great remedy."

G. ELLIS.

"A friend of ours persuaded my wife to buy me a bottle of your LUNG TONIC. I am no believer in such medicines, but I faced a homely physician. But my usual remedies failed to touch this severe cold which I had contracted, and I was glad to take your TONIC in the hope of relief. The first dose, taken at bed-time, relieved me, and I shall certainly have a bottle by me for future use, for my cold was beaten in a few days."

EDWARD COLE.

The OLD ORIGINAL and WORLD-FAMOUS LUNG TONIC

IS

Owbridge's

FOR COUGHS AND COLDS.

Blackheath, Birmingham.

"I am pleased to be able to state that we always give your TONIC to our children, with good results, and believe that our eldest boy has, on two occasions, been restored from what seemed to be a chronic case of chest affection."

J. E. HARRIS.

22, Albany Terrace, Shillington.

"My little boy, a few years old, about three weeks ago had a very bad cough which seemed to affect his lungs, also took away his appetite. I procured a bottle of your LUNG TONIC, and before we had taken half the contents the cough had entirely disappeared, and his appetite has returned, and he is now quite a different child. In my opinion it is a most valuable medicine."

A. AYTO.

Ashley House, Shillington, Hitchin, March 13, 1905.

"I can safely recommend OWBRIDGE'S LUNG TONIC for coughs and colds. I have used it for about five years, and found it most beneficial, when my children had it. They ask for it freely, and like taking it. I think they ought to give a testimonial, as I have found it most invaluable."

(Mrs.) W. PALMER.

200, Battle Road, Hollington, Hastings, December 29, 1905.

"I wrote you some six years ago thanking you then for the benefits that myself and others had derived from taking your LUNG TONIC. I am now a Husbandman and Verger, and you know how singular it is to be continually coughing. I have just recently had a Bronchial cold, and was afraid I should have had to cancel an engagement. I am glad to state that a few doses of your LUNG TONIC did only me good and saved me some money, but made me feel in and well for the engagement."

FRANK LINDEN.

3, Albert Street, Ironville, nr. Alfreton, January 13, 1906.

"I have used many cough mixtures, but I have found your LUNG TONIC the best of all. I have had a cough for two months, but your LUNG TONIC has cured it at last. I thank you very much."

JOHN THOMAS PROTHERO.

EVIDENCE.

Hilda Terrace, Ham Hill, Snowdonia, Nov. 7, 1905.

"I feel so very thankful for the good OWBRIDGE'S LUNG TONIC has done for my little boy. He had pneumonia twice, and the doctors at the hospital told me he could not live. Then a friend of mine asked me to try your LUNG TONIC, and the change was wonderful. His cough was terrible; now he has a cough, but it is a little one, and it goes him to sleep, and is soon gone. He is getting a fine little fellow, and I feel sure we must have him. I can now tell a story, for every I am I did not hear of before. If you can do any poor mother good by showing them this letter I shall be very pleased. I tell everybody I can about it. I feel I cannot talk about it enough. Please forgive me writing to you, but I feel sure you would if you knew the good it has done, and how very grateful we feel."

(Mrs.) E. TANNER.

1, Battledean Road, Highbury, N., March 21, 1905.

"I had lung trouble after a cough for twenty-five years, and tried several cough mixtures and doctors. I was told about your LUNG TONIC three years ago, and before I had taken the fourth bottle my cough left me. I was troubled with a cough three weeks ago. I sent for two bottles, and the cough left me again. I recommend it to all I can, and I bless the day I took your LUNG TONIC."

J. E. TINTIMAN.

Saves Many Lives.

The Cheapest, Safest, most up-to-date, most effective, and therefore the most trusted, and best known remedy in the world for Chills, Coughs, Colds, and Throat and Chest Affections.

ESTABLISHED 31 YEARS.

Some proofs of what those who use Owbridge's Lung Tonic think of it are given in the margin. Its universal reputation and enormous success are the best proof of its value.

EVIDENCE.

August 2, 1905.

"I thought I must write you a line to tell you how your LUNG TONIC has completely restored me to good health after seven doctors gave my case up as hopeless, and five years of suffering. In December 1900 I was working on board the 'Mayflower,' when it began to leak terribly. As the work was important I kept on and got soaked to the skin. When I went to work next day I felt so bad that I had to leave and go home. I was sent for a doctor, who told me I had taken cold on the lungs, and advised me to keep warm in bed. I took nine bottles of medicine, but slowly got worse. I thought I would try the hospital and get a special committee—they did me no good. I tried six other doctors, but they did me more harm than good. My chums said I was booked, and people in the street used to point and laugh at me. I was a laughing stock in the world." Nervous prostration and Dispensary pulled me down to a shadow. My friends urged me to go to a London hospital, so I came up to Brompton as a patient, and got a room, and was allowed to go home to die. Whilst waiting at Waterloo I got into conversation with a porter, who said: 'Why don't you try OWBRIDGE'S LUNG TONIC—it saved my mother when given up at Brompton.' I said 'I would,' and when I reached home I got a 4s. 6d. bottle. The very first dose gave me confidence; I felt a peculiar warmth go over my chest. In ten days I was able to take a walk, and my friends remarked how much better I looked. To make a long story short, I continued to take the medicine for six weeks. At the end of that time I felt my old self again, and am still in good health. At the end of two months I was again able to work. The first thing I did when able to get about was to hunt up the old porter at Waterloo, and say 'Thank you for telling me about the LUNG TONIC. I need hardly say how grateful I feel to think there is such a wonderful medicine. If the public knew more about it there would be many more saved and relieved. Wishing you every success. You are at liberty to make any use you like of this, provided you do not publish my name or address, but you may tell anyone to whom you receive any inquiry, and I will give them full particulars."

"GRATEFUL ESTATE CARPENTER."

The universal reputation and enormous success mentioned above have resulted in the usual following of imitations, substitutes, "just-as-goods," by which the public are sometimes misled. When you want something to cure a cold or cough, and the various troubles which usually arise in the first instance from damp or chill, ask for "Owbridge's," and do not be put off with any substitute.

This is the safest and surest way to recovery.

PREPARED BY

W. T. OWBRIDGE, LTD.,

and sold by all Chemists, Storekeepers, or Medicine Vendors everywhere.

In Bottles, at 1s. 1d., 2s. 9d., 4s. 6d., and 11s.

Should there be the slightest difficulty in obtaining the Lung Tonic will be sent post free on receipt of the face value in stamps by W. T. OWBRIDGE, LTD., THE LABORATORY, HULL.

27, New Cavendish Street, Cavendish Square, London, January 4, 1905.

"As you will see from the above address, I live in the very heart of the medical world. I have suffered from a severe cough, so I tried a bottle of your LUNG TONIC. Perhaps you need hardly say that the doctors were adverse to my adopting such a remedy, so I was laughed out of it. I was persuaded to consult an eminent chest specialist, who gave me a prescription and told me I was threatened with consumption. I took the medicine, and grew worse. I went to another man, still as bad as ever. I quite lost heart, till I thought—'Well, let them laugh, I sent for another bottle of your medicine, and began to improve from the first dose. The facts speak for themselves. All I wish is that other sufferers should know of the great relief your remedy has afforded me."

Nurse A. HAMP ADAMS.

Royal Hotel, Cardiff, July 18, 1905.

"As I am unable to thank you personally, I feel it my duty to send you this unsolicited testimonial as to your LUNG TONIC, which has cured a very nasty cough, contracted whilst travelling, this being my second attack. I honestly think no person ought to be without your LUNG TONIC as a preventive. After taking two bottles I feel quite a different person."

MAURICE WHYD.

8, Alexandra Road, Sheerness-on-Sea, May 5, 1905.

"I have found the LUNG TONIC a most effective remedy for sore throat in my own case, and in the case of many to whom I have recommended it. My daughter, aged 12, complained of sore throat, and I gave her a dose of the LUNG TONIC. To my surprise, Scarlet Fever symptoms developed, but she had no bad throat, so I did not wish to give credit to the dose of LUNG TONIC that had given her, which had nipped it in the bud."

(Rev.) J. J. HART.

6, The Sanctuary, Westminster, December 4, 1905.

"I have frequently found great benefit from using your LUNG TONIC."

(Rev.) J. B. THOMAS, B.A.

Ashley Street, Birmingham, Jan. 23, 1905.

"Out of gratitude for the benefits I have received from your LUNG TONIC I wish to thank you. To the soothing and healing merits of the same. A friend saw me taking the last dose of a patent cough cure (which did me no good), and recommended me to try your LUNG TONIC. I am pleased to say that before taking the whole of it I was much relieved from the distressing pains in my chest caused by so much coughing. The one small bottle completely cured me, and I probably saved myself a fortune in the cost of a doctor's bill."

GEORGE CLARKE.

"I enclose portrait of my youngest child, who, I feel very delighted to say, has just recovered from Whooping Cough and Bronchitis. Nothing else but your celebrated LUNG TONIC has cured her. Not only cured her, but cured my other child, about four years old, and I feel so pleased that I have given you this letter to use as you please."

(Mrs.) J. A. HEMMINGWAY.

Maple Cross, Rickmansworth, Jan. 21, 1905.

"I cannot speak too highly of your LUNG TONIC. I have never been without a bottle in the house for over twenty years. In fact, I can testify to its having saved my daughter's life, and I feel it to be my duty to recommend it to all I can."

E. COLLINS.

FLOGGING IN THE NAVY.

Government Action to Abolish
the System.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN

Tells How He Protected His Sons
From the Birch.

There were rumours in the House of Commons lobby yesterday of dissensions in the Cabinet, and it was stated that Lord Elgin contemplated resigning owing to differences between himself and his colleagues on the Chinese labour question. This, however, was denied by authority.

"There can be no such thing as a cleavage in the Cabinet over Chinese labour," said a prominent Liberal member to the *Daily Mirror* at the House of Commons last night.

"It is no secret, of course, that several members of the Cabinet hold very strong views on the subject, and when I say that they are the most advanced Radicals you can guess who they are. But it can make no difference whatever when it comes to voting, and to talk of a rupture is simply absurd."

"The extreme men feel so warmly on the subject that they favour the immediate repatriation of the Chinese, irrespective of the mine-owners or anyone else. I am assured, however, to-night by those in very high places that, although this opinion is not shared by all, it is not in the least likely to cause dissension."

FLOGGING IN THE NAVY.

The interesting announcement was made in the House of Commons last night that birching in the Navy is to be suspended.

The Secretary to the Admiralty (Mr. E. Robertson) stated in the course of the debate on the Address that the Lords Commissioners had issued a circular to that effect, and that at the expiration of twelve months a confidential report would be forwarded to its effect on the various naval stations.

It had also been directed that caning should be inflicted only under the actual order of the captain of the ship.

With the breeziness of the quarter-deck, Captain Hervey, as the only naval officer on the active list returned to the present Parliament, registered his objection to "grandmotherly legislation" being taken by the Admiralty on this question.

"I deny," he said, indignantly, "that naval captains are the bloodthirsty ruffians they have been represented to be during the recent elections."

A most interesting incident of the debate was the intervention of Mr. Chamberlain. Great praise, he said, was due to Mr. Swift MacNeill for raising the question, though he was afraid the hon. member had not quite treated it non-politically.

Heads bent forward as the right hon. gentleman began to illustrate his personal attitude towards the subject with an interesting parental reminiscence.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN AND HIS BOYS.

"I have had boys at public schools myself," he said, "and I took good care that under no conceivable circumstances should they be subjected to this humiliation, and I am glad they have not proved any the worse for it."

An approving cheer from all quarters of the House broke forth as Mr. Chamberlain, with a little touch of pride and emotion, thus lifted the curtain upon life at Highbury.

Mr. Chamberlain added that when he was Colonial Secretary he did what he could to prevent the flogging of natives, and he found there was great inequality in the degree of punishment awarded. For these reasons he was glad that the Admiralty had come to this decision without having any fear that it would injure the discipline of the Navy.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Chamberlain was largely instrumental in abolishing flogging in the Army.

Mr. MacNeill, after thanking the Admiralty for their decision, withdrew his amendment to the Address in which he had raised the subject.

The debate then degenerated into a discussion on the dangers of Home Rule, on an amendment by Colonel Sanderson condemning the reference to Ireland in the King's Speech. The loyalists, he said, believed that the contemplated changes in the system of the government of Ireland would endanger the liberties and property of the loyalist minority, promote discord in civil life, and impair the integrity of the United Kingdom.

The House adjourned at 11.50.

TRANSVAAL THIRTY MILLIONS.

Mr. Winston Churchill, answering Sir Charles McLaren, said the late Government took no effective steps to obtain from the Transvaal government the thirty millions contribution which Mr. Chamberlain said was to be made from the South African magnates, and which was regarded as a debt of honour.

LORD BALFOUR OF BURLEIGH

Expelled by the Constitutional Club
Committee.

STRONG ACTION.

Lord Balfour of Burleigh was last night expelled from the Constitutional Club, and his name was removed from the list of trustees.

This action was taken by the committee after considering a mass of correspondence that had passed between Lord Balfour and the committee



LORD BALFOUR OF BURLEIGH.

on the subject of his lordship's support of the Radical candidate for Chelsea during the election.

The motion of expulsion was moved by Sir W. Portier, and seconded by Lord Robert Brudenell Bruce.

It stated that the committee was satisfied that Lord Balfour's political conduct was "inconsistent with the objects and well-being of the club, and injurious to the interests of the Conservative cause," and that it was therefore resolved that his name be removed from the list of members.

The committee passed similar resolutions in regard to other members of the club who publicly supported Radical candidates at the recent general election.

MR. AUSTIN TAYLOR'S CONVERSION.

Mr. Austin Taylor, the Unionist free trade member for the East Toxteth Division of Liverpool, took his seat on the Ministerial side of the House of Commons yesterday, amid Liberal cheers.

This action is regarded among Liverpool Unionists as more disloyal than that of Mr. Winston Churchill. "There is no possible method," said one of the leading members of the party in Liverpool, "by which Mr. Taylor can suggest that when he accepted re-election as a Conservative candidate Mr. Balfour, or the majority of the party, intended to recant their policy on fiscal reform. His action in crossing the House has created the most intense indignation, and it is felt that the only consistent course for him to pursue is to resign."

An official communication will be sent to Mr. Taylor demanding his resignation from the Liverpool Conservative and Unionist organisations.

BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF PARLIAMENT.

It is reported that with so many new faces in the House, the Speaker is compelled to have before him a popular parliamentary guide in order to identify the various members. If the task is a difficult one for the Speaker, what must it be to the ordinary man? The new "Daily Mail" guide to the old and new Parliaments should prove invaluable in this connection.

This publication consists of a chart graphically illustrated in colours in such a way as to show at a glance the disposition of parties in the old and new Parliaments, and also of a sixteen-page handbook, the whole forming a complete bird's-eye view of the political situation.

The guide may be obtained at the cost of 1s. (postage 1d.) either from the Publisher, 2, Carmelite House, E.C., or from Messrs. George Philip and Son, 32, Fleet-street, E.C.; or mounted on cloth with brass rollers, 2s. 6d. (post free, 2s. 9d.).

Mr. Norman gave notice in yesterday's parliamentary papers to ask Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman if he will consider whether the time has now come when the grille in front of the Ladies' Gallery might safely be removed.

ADMIRAL TOGO, O.M.

The King's Signal Honour to Him and Two
Japanese Marshals.

TOKIO, Wednesday.—Prince Arthur to-day invested Admiral Togo and Marshals Yamagata and Oyama with the Order of Merit.

The ceremony took place in the Kasumi Gaseki Palace, in the presence of all the members of the Garter mission. The honour is universally appreciated here.—Reuter.

The Order of Merit, founded by the King in June, 1902, was designed as a very special distinction for men most eminent in any department whatever—war, science, literature, or art.

An order to which fewer than a score of appointments have been made, and which includes Lord Roberts, Lord Kelvin, Mr. Morley, Mr. George Meredith, and Sir L. Alma-Tadema, is one admission to which must be counted by any man, however celebrated, a peculiarly signal honour.

Hitherto the dignity has been bestowed on British subjects only. The addition of three brilliant subjects of the Mikado to the list will enhance the lustre of the order, and go far to cement the bonds of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance.

THE DISASTER IN SOKOTO.

New Mahdi Responsible for Deaths of British
Officers.

Reuter's Agency learns that while no further details of the cutting up of a British force in Northern Nigeria have been received from Sir Frederick Lugard, telegrams from other sources lead to the belief that not only the British, but also the French were involved in the defeat.

It is known that the whole affair resulted from the appearance of a new Mahdi, and that the disastrous attack on the British took place on February 14.

Reuter's representative has had an interview with Mr. William Wallace, C.M.G., Acting High Commissioner of Northern Nigeria, who has arrived in England from the Protectorate. He said: "It is just one of those surprises which are to be expected among a fanatical population. Sir Frederick Lugard has plenty of troops available, and I am sure that the movement will not be allowed to spread."

MEDALS FOR GURKHAS.

Prince of Wales Decorates Heroes of the Dharmasala
Earthquake.

BENARES, Wednesday.—The Prince of Wales this morning presented new colours to the 2nd Battalion South Staffords Regiment.

The Prince of Wales also presented eight silver and fourteen bronze medals, awarded by the Chaprer of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, for the gallantry displayed by the officers and men of the 1st and 7th Gurkha Rifles in saving life on the occasion of the disastrous earthquake at Dharmasala last spring, when in ten seconds almost every building was a ruin, and 100 persons were killed outright.

The Gurkhas, in their efforts to rescue those buried, worked unceasingly, despite the constantly recurring shocks, and saved 150 persons from almost certain death. The medals were awarded on the recommendation of Lord Kitchener, the recipients among the rank and file being selected by the votes of their comrades.—Reuter.

STIRRING SPEECH OF EMPIRE.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Pays a Lofty Tribute to Canada's
Devotion to the Mother-Country.

OTTAWA, Wednesday.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, addressing the students at the University of Toronto, yesterday, said that after the adoption by Canada of a fiscal policy of protection, statesmen like Disraeli and Gladstone asserted that the Colonies were of no use, and instructed Governors sent to Canada to place no obstacle in the way of Canadian independence.

"But," continued Sir Wilfrid, "to this invitation was returned the same passionate cry which would now be echoed by the whole people were such an invitation to be repeated: 'Intreat me not to leave thee or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest I will go; and where thou lodgest I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God.'

"The sentiment in favour of union is stronger than ever, and, coupled with it is the idea of unalterable colonial autonomy. The British Empire means freedom and autonomy, and because of that it will live for ever."—Reuter.

MURDERED GUARDIANS' OFFICER.

The Islington coroner's jury last night returned a verdict of Wilful Murder against a man named McQuire, who is in custody for shooting John Skinner, of Tufnell Park, an official of the St. Pancras Guardians.

GERMANY MAY YIELD TO FRANCE.

Solution of the Moroccan Difficulty
Now Believed To Be Possible.

ANGLO-GERMAN ENTENTE.

Germany wants sufficient guarantees. That is the latest aspect of the Moroccan negotiations.

Given these guarantees, it is believed that Germany will accept the French proposals for policing Morocco with French and Spanish officials. It is even believed that the objections to a Moroccan State bank will disappear.

This attitude on the part of Germany coincides with a corresponding display of firmness by France. That Power will see the Conference dissolve before yielding one point.

GERMANY ASKS A GUARANTEE.

PARIS, Wednesday.—The "Journal" publishes the following telegram from Berlin: "It is believed, in semi-official circles, that the refusal of Germany to accept the French proposals would probably be withdrawn, and Germany would find it possible to accept the Franco-Spanish combination, if she were given leisure to accept it only on conditions—that is to say, reserving to herself certain guarantees which she considers necessary."

The "Figaro's" Berlin correspondent says: "It is decided in certain semi-official circles that if France lays before the Conference a scheme of reforms on the Franco-Spanish basis, accompanied by sufficient guarantees, Germany will consider the plan."

"The refusal of Germany is stated to have been provoked solely by the form of the French proposal; which asked Germany to admit a principle before knowing its applications in detail. The discussion at the Conference will probably turn on the principle of the Franco-Spanish action, but on the guarantees which might safeguard the sovereignty of the Sultan and the interests of Powers."—Reuter.

ARMED WITH RED-HOT BARS.

Queer Weapons of the Faithful in the
Religious Troubles.

PARIS, Wednesday.—The taking of the inventory of church property required by the law for the separation of Church and State is meeting with considerable opposition in the provinces.

At Sainte-Sigolene (Haute Loire) the threatening attitude of the crowd, who were armed with scythes and red-hot bars of iron, prevented the officials from performing their duty.

At Ajaccio the authorities on entering the Grand Seminary found their progress impeded by barricades constructed of planks and iron bedsteads. The officials had to cut a way through with axes.—Reuter.

TURKISH TRESPASS IN EGYPT.

Arrival of British Cruiser Causes a Change
of Policy.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Wednesday.—The representations of the British Embassy on the subject of the intrusion by Turkish troops of the Egyptian boundary at the head of the Gulf of Akaba have resulted by the sending of a Commission of Inquiry to the scene.

The sudden change in the attitude of Turkey has been accelerated by the news that the British cruiser Diana was proceeding up the gulf to prevent the commander of the Turks from occupying the small island of Farasan, which is undoubtedly within the limits of Egyptian administration.—Reuter.

MIDNIGHT TELEGRAMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Longworth have sailed from Tampa (Florida) for Havana.

The Duke of Connaught and party have visited Spion Kop, Pieter's Hill, and the battlefield of Colenso.

The overdue floating dry-dock Dewey has arrived at Las Palmas on its voyage from the United States to the Philippines.

The death took place yesterday at Cork, of Dean McSweeney, Roman Catholic Dean of the Diocese. He was over ninety years of age.

TO DAY'S WEATHER.

Our special weather forecast for to-day is: Light north-easterly to fresh easterly winds; foggy and frosty early; cloudy by afternoon, with snow or sleet in places; continuing cold.

Lightning-up time, 0.35 p.m.
Sea passages will be moderate to rather rough.

MR. BALFOUR'S CITY CAMPAIGN.

Eager Welcome from Stockbrokers
and Shipping Men.

MR. BOWLES' MEETING.

Such political activity in the heart of the Empire's capital as was witnessed yesterday is rare, the excitement caused by the contest between Mr. Balfour and Mr. Gibson Bowles growing each day in spite of the traditions of calm, almost of aloofness, of the City.

Still, there are plenty of diverting incidents, and there is a delightful note of cordiality, evoked by Mr. Balfour's rare personal charm and his distinction, at many of the meetings.

It was the novel experience of the ex-Premier to be "called on 'Change" at the Baltic, St. Mary-axe, yesterday.

"Arthur Balfour," bawled out the call-boy at the top of his voice, as the right hon. gentleman was being shown the portrait of the chairman on the wall.

This was the signal for loud cheering, and staid merchants who are usually more engrossed in shipping and the corn trade than in politics waved gaily silk hats in the air with great enthusiasm.

Golf Better than Bowles.

That Mr. Balfour enjoyed the situation was evident, because he said he regarded it "rather as a friendly meeting." The cheerful spirit of the gathering also affected the chairman (Major Bridges Webb), who playfully remarked that "much better to play golf than Bowles."

Mr. Balfour dwelt on fiscal reform, and appealed to his hearers to look at the question from the Imperial point of view.

"The man who can think that there is no fiscal problem because trade is improving is the man who has never grasped the fact that there is a fiscal problem at all," he said.

The resolution of confidence was carried with 100 dissentients, and this fact gave the ex-Premier another opportunity of displaying that sense of manner and gentleness characteristic of the most heated debate.

"In their conscientious convictions," he said, "I am confident I shall find in their opponents of whom no man need be ashamed, and that they will be on the contest in an honourable spirit."

Mr. Bowles's Lively Experiences.

Mr. Gibson Bowles, who opened his campaign yesterday, had some lively experiences.

"Three cheers for Mr. Balfour!" greeted him on rising to speak at Cannon-street Hotel last night, and the admonition "Stick to your colours!" reached his ears.

Undismayed he stood his ground, and when the outburst of hostility had spent itself he proceeded to say that the best men of both parties recognised that this was a question above party, and it was because of that he had been requested by members of both political parties to come forward and fight the battle of free trade.

Dealing with the taunt that the Liberals had had to search the smoke-room of the Carlton Club to find a candidate, Mr. Bowles said: "I am not the first-free-trader found in the smoke-room of the Carlton."

Lord Salisbury was often found there, he went on; the only gentleman who was not was the other candidate for the City of London. Were he seen there, and had he only read a few newspapers, Mr. Balfour would have understood better the temper of the people of this country.

Woman Suffragist Ejected.

Then Mr. Bowles shared the fate of many Liberal candidates in being confronted with an excited woman suffragist. "What about freedom of British women?" she shouted. Then with all the eloquence of a professional agitator she let loose a flood of oratory on women's wrongs. She would not be silenced, and was accordingly escorted out of the hall. Another woman—evidently a companion—was similarly ejected, and after a banner, bearing the words "Votes for Women," had been thrown into the air, Mr. Bowles was able to resume his speech.

With characteristic gallantry he said he very much regretted that the ladies should have left the meeting. Had he heard the question he would have been very pleased to have answered it either there or in the committee-room afterwards.

"A volunteer was called for," said Mr. Bowles in conclusion, "and I came. I have put my hand to the plough, and I will not look back until the end of the furrow is reached."

The resolution of confidence in Mr. Bowles was carried with a few dissentients, and a lively meeting broke up.

JUDGE'S SARDONIC COMMENT.

"There is no place where health is better attended to than in gaol," said Mr. McCormick to a prisoner who handed up a statement concerning her health at Clerkenwell Sessions yesterday.

NEW SOCIALIST PLAY.

Captain Marshall Under Bernard Shaw
Influence at the Comedy Theatre.

Captain Marshall's latest play is like a new version of Mr. Gilbert's "Palace of Truth," written after a close study of G.B.S.'s works.

A very rich Prime Minister has a fall on an alabaster staircase, which has cost him £15,000, and becomes a Socialist on the spot.

He sees all the weak points in our social system, as well as in individuals, and draws attention to them with distressing frankness. Naturally Mr. John Hare (who was very warmly welcomed) gets plenty of fun out of the part, but the piece drags a good deal when he is off the stage.

Miss Little Venne is amusing as a gormandising duchess, and Mr. A. E. Mathews as an imbecile duke. The others all do their best, but they could not prevent the audience from being rather mystified.

NATIVE REBELS TRAPPED.

Surrounded Murderers Hold a Prayer Meeting While
Captors Close In.

PIETERMARITZBURG, Wednesday.—It is officially stated that Mvelli's natives have trapped the natives who murdered the police. The murderers used their rifles. Police and volunteers have been dispatched to the scene.

Officially it is stated that the rebel leader and three of his men were killed, and that six natives, a rifle, and two bandoliers were captured. When surrounded the rebels held a prayer meeting.

The Alexander natives are most defiant towards the chief and the magistrates. The krigals are deserted in Colonel Mackenzie's line of march.—Reuter.

FIGHTING IN HUNGARY.

Young Englishman Hurt in a Riot in the Streets
of the Capital.

BUDAPEST, Wednesday.—A crowd of about 300 students marched to Louis Kossuth's grave to-day, but were forcibly turned back by the police.

Several of the demonstrators were wounded by blows from the flats of swords, and Mr. Forster Boivill, an English journalist, was slightly injured.

There was no attempt yesterday morning to force an entrance to the House of Parliament, according to an Exchange telegram. The members of the Coalition marched to the cathedral, where a special mass was celebrated. A great popular demonstration followed.

NOT "COWED BY BRICKBATS."

Mr. Polden Tells Faringstone Electors It Is No
Place for Ladies at Election Times.

Full of pluck and defiance, Mr. E. Polden, who is determined to contest the Basingstoke Division of Hampshire as an independent Liberal candidate, despite physical opposition, appeared at a meeting at Aldershot yesterday with his head bandaged.

He referred to the attack made upon him at Basingstoke, and said that as soon as his medical adviser gave him permission he would return to the town to personally carry out his campaign, but he would be careful not to take ladies with him. That was no place for ladies during an election. He would not be cowed by brickbats.

He appealed for fair play both for himself and for Mr. Verney, and asked them not to disgrace Aldershot by such conduct as had disgraced Basingstoke.

GROSS MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE.

Sufferings of a Naval Reservist Who Was Punished
on a False Accusation of Theft.

A serious miscarriage of justice has been brought to light in Manchester. In April last year John Joyce, married, with three children, who served in the South African war and eventually joined the Naval Service, was arrested while in the employ of the Manchester Corporation on a charge of being concerned in the theft of a suit of clothes.

He protested his innocence, and produced evidence in his favour, but he was sentenced to two months' imprisonment with hard labour. After serving his sentence he took steps to clear his character, with the result that, through the efforts of a firm of Manchester solicitors, he obtained a free pardon and a grant of £25 as compensation.

While in prison, however, his home had to be broken up, and his wife and family became chargeable to the union.

MORE LARGE QUESTS TO SERVANTS.

Miss Mary Ann Varley, of Notting Hill, who died at the advanced age of ninety, has left £1,000 and the residue of her estate as to one moiety, valued at about £6,000, to her housekeeper, Miss Emma Allbon, of Hitchin, bequeaths £2,500 in trust to her companion.

WOMAN AERONAUT.

First Lady To Cross the Channel
in a Balloon.

MEAL IN MID-AIR.

Mrs. Griffith Brewer, the wife of a prominent member of the Aero Club, a well-known writer on aeronautics, and the pioneer of balloon photography, has made a most successful balloon trip from London to France, this being the first occasion on which a lady has made such a voyage.

Mrs. Brewer ascended from the grounds of the Wandsworth and Putney Gas Works at five minutes past two on Tuesday afternoon.

By 2.15 the party, including Mrs. Brewer, Mr. Percival Spencer, and Mr. Frank Butler, had left terra firma, and were oscillating in the wind.

The balloon, which was of a capacity of 45,000 cubic feet, soon grew steeper, and made away at a speed of thirty miles an hour. They were crossing the Crystal Palace in fifteen minutes at an altitude of 2,000 feet.

London's straggling suburbs were soon left behind, and the open country gained. The Rivers Darent and Medway appeared flooded for miles. In just over an hour the coastline at Dungeness was visible, and photographs were taken of the view below.

NO FEAR OF SEASICKNESS.

Crossing the Channel the equilibrium of the balloon was so well maintained that the party were able to partake of a meal consisting of sausage rolls, cake, and dry champagne.

At this stage the cross-Channel boat Onward, from Folkestone to Boulogne, with passengers who left London at 2.20, was observed. The balloon arrived over the French coast, a few miles south of Boulogne, at 5.30, and just as the steamer was entering Boulogne Harbour.

Darkness coming on, the valves were opened, and the balloon, descending gradually, bounded through some poplar trees and thence through a high fence, until it came to rest at Somer, twenty miles from Boulogne.

The party caught the night mail from Calais, arriving in London at 5.30. Mrs. Brewer was somewhat fatigued, but perfectly well, and full of praise of this novel means of travel, which she trusts will now become more popular with the fair sex.

CIGARETTES FROM RHODESIA.

Tobacco from the Colony Quickly Finds Favour
Among British Smokers.

Cigarettes that do not stain the fingers are the latest favourites among London's smokers.

Made in England for the first time last year from tobacco grown in Rhodesia, the demand already greatly exceeds the supply. The British South African Company had the whole of the consignment of tobacco to them made into cigarettes, wrapped in the best paper, and with absolutely no form of adulteration. These were sold at 6s. 6d. per 100, the bare amount of the cost of the tobacco, shipping, duty, etc.

This year's consignment is said to be even better in quality than that of 1905. To introduce them further the South African Company is supplying them at 6s. per 100. By next week 10,000 more cigarettes will be ready for distribution, but these, and many more, have been reserved for those who ordered early.

TO ABOLISH JUVENILE SMOKING.

Girls Will Have Nothing To Do With Boys Who
Delight in "Fags."

Dr. Macnamara will have no lack of support for his projected Bill to prohibit juvenile smoking, a large majority of the members of the new House of Commons being in favour of legislation of the kind.

In the country the movement grows. In Bristol 600 maidens have resolved to have "nothing to do" with boys who revel in "fags."

But England is far behind America in this respect. In more than fifty American states juveniles are forbidden by law to smoke, and the Texas boy of fourteen or the Wyoming youth of twenty takes a pull at the weed in dire peril. Similar legislation is in force in many parts of Canada, in Tasmania, and in Cape Colony.

SHOP HOURS ACT FAILS IN LONDON.

At the second annual conference convened under the Shop Hours Act of 1904 yesterday, Dr. Macnamara, M.P., said that the borough councils in London had shown disinclination to put the Act into operation, and the L.C.C. should take over its administration.

He added that Mr. Herbert Gladstone had asked that owing to pressure of work a deputation should not wait upon him just now.

The American College at Aintab, in Asia Minor, has been entirely destroyed by fire.

VOTING FOR SNAPSHOTS.

Lifeboat Photograph Which May Win Its
Author a Handsome Money Prize.

The amateur's photograph selected from a pile for publication in to-day's *Daily Mirror* shows the periodical capsizing of a lifeboat at Teignmouth.

One of the drills in which lifeboatmen take part consists of launching the lifeboat, rowing her out to sea, and then swarming up into her rigging until she capsizes. The boat is afterwards righted again, and the crew then clamber into her and row her back to the shore.

The photograph published on page 8 shows the lifeboat in the rigging turning the boat over. It is the work of Mr. F. R. Tipton, 15, Glendavenue, Knowle, Bristol, who will receive a fee of 10s. 6d. for the right of reproducing it.

Readers who wish to vote as to which photograph should receive the weekly prize of £2 2s. which we have offered, should carefully keep all the week's coupons—one of which will be found below—and send them to the *Daily Mirror* office, so that they will reach us not later than Tuesday morning. Readers may, of course, send in as many coupons as they like.

For the guidance of intending competitors we publish the following instructions:

For every photograph used we shall pay 10s. 6d., and, in addition, a prize of £2 2s. will be awarded every week to the person sending in the photograph which our readers consider the best.

D.M. PHOTOGRAPH COMPETITION.

I vote for the photograph numbered ..., considering it the best amateur photograph published in the "Daily Mirror" during the week ending, Feb. 24, 1906

Voter's Name

Address

N negatives should be sent in. Only prints will be considered.

Each photograph should bear upon the back the competitor's name and address and the word "Competition" to be enclosed in an envelope marked "Photograph Competition."

A stamped and addressed envelope must be sent with each photograph if the sender desires it to be returned, but in this case the Editor will be responsible for the loss of photographs.

In order to simplify our system of book-keeping we only pay the money on the application of the photographer, who must cut his picture out of the *Daily Mirror*, and send it in with his request for payment.

FARM COLONY FAILURES.

Not One Man in 600 at Lingfield Had the Qualities
Necessary to Success.

The unemployed question was widely discussed at the annual central Poor-law conference, held at the Guildhall yesterday.

Mr. T. R. Bull, of Birkenhead, said all who had had experience of putting the Workmen's Unemployed Act into operation were agreed that it was worthless. He blamed the drinking habits of the people as being responsible for the large number of unemployed.

The Rev. Mr. Brooks, of the Lingfield farm colony, said that out of six hundred men who had passed through his hands not one was at the same time sober, industrious, young, healthy, and skilful.

Mr. R. A. Leech, of Rochdale, said he had no sympathy with the workmen who made no provision for the slack season, while Mr. Wynne declared that the number of unemployed had been magnified for political purposes.

PLANS OF THE KING AND QUEEN.

His Majesty Will Probably Start for His Approaching
Cruise Next Week.

The King's arrangements for his spring cruise are not yet definitely completed, but it is expected that his Majesty will go away on Wednesday next.

The date of the Queen's return has not been decided upon. To enable his Majesty to leave London about the date mentioned, the Privy Council for the pricking of sheriffs, originally arranged for March, has been fixed for Tuesday.

The Lord Steward waited upon the King, at Buckingham Palace yesterday, and formally presented to his Majesty the Lord's Address, in reply to the Speech from the Throne.

WEALTHY MEN'S SONS FAILURES.

"Let us open a settlement for the benefit of wealthy men's sons," said Dr. Emil Hirsch, at the dedication of the Chicago Social Settlement this week.

"Most of these men are failures," he continued in explanation. "It seems to me that the wealthy are to be pitied."

RATING REVOLUTION IN LONDON.

What Will Be the Effects of Mr. Burns's Bill?

MIDDLE-CLASS EXODUS.

The Equalisation of Rates Bill, which Mr. John Burns intends to push forward as quickly as possible, promises to bring about a revolution in London.

In rich districts like the City, Kensington, Paddington, and Westminster, which are comparatively lightly rated, the ratepayers will have an unwelcome addition to their burdens. On the other hand, the poorer boroughs, which now stagger under an overwhelming burden—in many cases merely the result of their own extravagance—will be relieved to a very considerable extent.

Supposing, for example, the equalised rate for all London was fixed at 7s. 2d., rates would be reduced in the following boroughs:—

	Rate.	Reduction.
Battersea	8s. 4d.	1s. 2d.
Bermondsey	9s. 5d.	2s. 3d.
Bethnal Green	8s. 2d.	1s. 6d.
Camden	8s. 4d.	1s. 6d.
Deptford	8s. 0d.	0s. 10d.
Fulham	7s. 6d.	0s. 4d.
Greenwich	8s. 5d.	1s. 0d.
Lambeth	8s. 1d.	0s. 8d.
Lewisham	7s. 8d.	0s. 6d.
Poplar	12s. 0d.	4s. 10d.
Shoreditch	7s. 6d.	0s. 8d.
Southwark	8s. 2d.	1s. 4d.
Wandsworth	7s. 6d.	0s. 4d.
Woolwich	7s. 8d.	0s. 6d.

The rates of Islington and Holborn and one or two other boroughs would remain about the same.

The ratepayers of the following boroughs would find their rates increased:—

Chelsea	2d.	Westminster	6d.
Paddington	8d.	Kensington	6d.
Marylebone	2d.	City of London	1d.
St. Pancras	1d.		(about) 1s. 6d.

The City's own rate is about 4s. 9d., but it actually levies 6s. 2d., the difference being the amount handed over to the equalisation funds, which already exist. If it were not for these funds half-a-dozen districts of London would have rates of 12s. in the £. Poplar's rate is already reduced through these funds by 2s., and St. George's East by nearly 4s.

If Mr. Burns's measure becomes law it will probably mean that over a million a year will be paid by the richer districts for the help of the poorer. As a set-off, of course, the poorer boroughs will not be allowed to make rates as they please; that duty will be handed over to a central body which, it may be devoutly hoped, will set its face against unnecessary extravagance.

One effect of the equalisation will probably be a large exodus from the well-to-do districts to places outside the metropolitan area. This will mean an addition to the already vast number of tenantry houses in London.

So great is the slump in house property all over London that at the present moment 60,000 houses in the metropolis are tenanted, and the remedy proposed by some of the boroughs is to impose a half rate on the unhappy owners, most of whom not only lose their income, but see their capital depreciate every day, and in addition are compelled to pay ground rent.

Emptiness of London.

This deplorable emptiness of London is not characteristic of the poor, but of the middle-class districts. The poor are overcrowded; they cannot pay the rents and rates of houses, and they crowd into tenements. The middle-class man prefers to spend money on railways, and moves over the county boundary.

Equalisation will not stop that. It will accelerate the emptiness of residential London, for, as the rate will be levied on the basis of assessment and paid out on the basis of population, it follows that the better the neighbourhood the more will have to be paid, and the more overcrowded it is the more will be received.

Owners of houses, who have invested the whole of their savings in the belief that they were "as safe as a house," are face to face with prospective starvation. Rents in Islington, to take one instance, have gone down to 30 per cent., but yet no tenants can be found.

There are men in Islington who ought to be receiving from £500 to £1,000 in rents, but get nothing at all. One man who spent £6,000 on a house cannot let it for £150 a year—a bare 2 per cent. return.

EARL ROSSLYN'S DEMOCRATIC PLEA.

Earl Rosslyn, referring to an article which appeared in the *Daily Mirror* regarding the recent alliance between the peerage and the stage, says: "We are growing democrats by degrees, but the stage can supply as good wives as society can bad ones."

"If a peer of the realm or other peer—by misfortune of birth—marries an actress, why cannot the actress be recognised as his equal?"

"WHISTLER" WEDDING.

Beautiful Bride, Whose Portrait Is Famous, Attracts Crowds to St. Mary Abbott's.

Miss Cicely Alexander, the original of Whistler's world-famous child-portrait, was married yesterday to Mr. Bernard Spring-Rice, grandson of the first Lord Monteagle, at St. Mary Abbott's, Kensington.

The bride was dressed in white silk voile, trimmed with satin and chiffon, and wore a tulip veil over a spray of real orange blossoms.

Among the 400 guests at the reception at Aubrey House were Lord and Lady Monteagle, Lord and Lady Farington, Lady Holman.

Later in the day Mrs. and Mr. Bernard Spring-Rice left for Heathfield Park, Sussex.

The bride's father was the first to appreciate the great genius of Whistler, and gave him the commission to paint his little daughter's portrait, and the quaintly-posed study in white and grey became one of the most talked-about pictures painted in modern times.

ENGLAND'S PAUPER INCUBUS.

Mr. John Burns's Return Shows That the Burden is 8s. 5d. a Head a Year.

It would cost every man, woman, and child in England and Wales 8s. 5d. a year if all contributed equally to the cost of maintaining the enormous and ever-increasing army of paupers.

For these unfortunately impressive figures the country is indebted to Mr. John Burns, one of whose first resolves on taking office as President of the Board of Trade was that he would present the pauperism returns in a new and graphic form.

It cost England and Wales £14,016,269 to keep its paupers and to distribute out-relief in 1904, when the population was 33,763,000.

Paupers of all classes increased from 792,367 in 1900 to 884,365 in 1905; or from 25 in every 1,000 of the population to 26, and each pauper now costs the country, on an average, £16 13s. 8d. a year.

MISHAPS ON KINGSWAY SUBWAY.

Four-Minute Service Between Aldwych and the Angel Will Be Begun in a Few Days.

Trial trips by electric trams from the Angel, Islington, to Aldwych, via the new subway in Kingsway, were marred by mishaps yesterday.

The failure of the pumping apparatus necessitated the use of water carts on the lines, and into one near the Aldwych terminus a tramcar, which was badly damaged. At the sharp corner of Rosebery-avenue a tramcar had to wait until another came up and pushed it round.

After several postponements the opening of the route will take place in a few days. At first a four-minute service each way will be run. The fares will be 1d. from the Angel to Aldwych, or 1d. from the Angel to Holborn, and 1d. from Aldwych to Holborn Town Hall.

FRANTIC RACE AGAINST TIME.

Inspector's Rush to Signals to Save a Comrade's Life on Underground Railway.

A thrilling story of a Metropolitan Railway inspector's attempt to save the life of an electrician, named Fisher, was told at the inquest yesterday on Fisher.

Fisher is supposed to have been knocked down at Farringdon-street Station by an engine. Cox, the inspector, saw him lying across the rails, and knowing that a train was due, he raced to the signals and had the train stopped.

He then went back to help Fisher, who was taken to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, where he died shortly after. The company's electrician said that Fisher may have received an electric shock, and became temporarily unconscious. A verdict of Accidental Death was returned.

BANKED £254,000 IN A MONTH.

The creditors of William White, who is under arrest on charges of fraud, met at Liverpool yesterday. A deficiency of £9,628 was recorded by the Official Receiver, who said that sums, ranging from £100 to £40,000, had been lent to White at various times. In one month he had paid £24,000 into one bank, and had withdrawn £268,000.

ARCHBISHOP THANKS POLICE OFFICER.

The Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of London at St. Paul's Cathedral yesterday solemnly thanked Chief-Inspector Palmer for his services in pre-erecting order during national functions at the Cathedral. Mr. Palmer is retiring after forty years' service.

It was related of a militiaman, accused yesterday at Scarborough of cruelty to his wife, and remanded, that he tramped 268 miles—all the way from Cardiff—to answer the charge.

BELATED DIVORCE.

Husband's Magnanimity Rewarded by Scandal and Unkindness.

TALKING IN WHISPERS.

A busy day in the Divorce Court yesterday resulted in the making of several important orders by the President.

It is very rarely that the Divorce Court has to deal with matrimonial delinquencies more than a year or so old—unless they form part of a series extending to a recent time.

A notable exception occurred yesterday when a gentleman named Scott brought evidence of guilt against his wife that took place nineteen years ago.

In 1887 Mrs. Scott was living in Spain, at Malaga, where her husband was employed on an engineering undertaking.

He had to pay a short visit to London, and left his wife behind in an hotel. Staying in the hotel was a Mr. Shaw.

"Mrs. Scott and Mr. Shaw used to sit on a sofa together," said evidence taken on commission. "They used to talk together in whispers."

SAW FOUR FEET.

The witness went on to say that she had looked under the door of Mrs. Scott's bedroom and had detected the presence of two people by seeing four feet.

A nurse who is now middle-aged, but at the time of the events she described was young, gave her reminiscences in the witness-box. She had been amazed at Mrs. Scott's infidelity to her husband, and when Mr. Scott came back she denounced his intrigue.

Bursting into a room where husband, wife, and lover were talking amicably together she revealed what had taken place.

A peculiar circumstance prevented Mr. Scott from immediately seeking a divorce. His wife's father had shown him great kindness, and this gentleman was in a very delicate state of health. The grief that would have resulted from knowledge of his daughter's dishonour might have had fatal results. So Mr. Scott refrained.

When his father-in-law died he might still have been content with the separation that existed between himself and his wife if it had not been for the fact that this separation was unjustly attributed to wrong-doing on his own part.

CHILDREN SET AGAINST HIM.

He found that his children had been set against him, and the husband of his daughter refused to speak to him. So in justice to himself he asked for a belated divorce.

The decree was granted, the President remarking that the case was one in which the Court could well exercise its discretion.

His Lordship gave his decision in the South Dakota marriage case. An English lady, now Mrs. Amy Armitage, disagreed with her first husband, an American Mr. Gillig, and, going to live in South Dakota, divorced him. Then in Denver Cathedral she married an English admirer, Mr. Armitage.

This took place several years ago, but recently Mr. Gillig challenged the validity of it. He had married another lady, and wished to annul his marriage with her on the ground that Mrs. Armitage was still his wife by English law.

Mrs. Armitage appealed to the English Court to assert the legality of her position. Yesterday her request was granted.

AMERICAN DIVORCE VALID.

The American divorce was declared valid in this country, and the second marriage of both of them and Mr. Gillig were declared legal.

A peremptory refusal was given to another application for exercise of discretion. A London policeman, who had obtained a decree against his wife, said that he himself was guiltless. It was now admitted that his statement was untrue, but it was asked that the divorce should stand, and that the policeman should be granted "relief."

Pointing out that a prosecution for perjury might follow, the President rescinded the decree on the application of the King's Procurator.

In a case that was adjourned there were curious charges. A Blackburn lady accused her husband, a solicitor named Chough, of threatening to send her to "Kingdom come" with a revolver, and also of proposing to throw her into the "corporation lake."

He had upset chairs all over the kitchen, she said, and had struck her at a red hot poker.

In the Court of Appeal Mr. Stourton, the respondent in the recent "smart set" case, was ordered to give security for costs to his wife as a condition of being allowed to move for a new trial of his case. He says that the verdict against him was contrary to the weight of evidence.

FELL FIVE STOREYS UNHURT.

A plumber was being hoisted to the roof of an Edinburgh building yesterday when a knot gave way, and from a height of five storeys he fell to the ground.

He did not seem hurt or even dazed, and inspection at the infirmary revealed only a few bruises.

ACTORS' HUGE EARNINGS.

Princely Salaries Also Demanded Now by Variety Artists.

Five hundred pounds a week each to two members of a theatrical company! That is what a contemporary states Miss Julia Marlowe and Mr. E. H. Sothern have been receiving for several years past from Mr. Charles Frohman in the States. As Huckabee Finn expressed it "the statement is interesting, but tough."

Mike Bernhard five years ago appeared at the Comedy Theatre under the management of the late M. Mayer, at a salary of £800 a week for eight performances, probably the biggest money ever paid to a leading actress.

The music-hall and variety star makes more money than any, save a very, very few, of the favourite performers on the legitimate stage.

Dan Leno had an engagement for Drury Lane pantomime for thirteen weeks every year at £250 a week, which engagement was only terminated by his death.

Vesta Tilley once received £2,000 for a pantomime season of ten weeks at Birmingham, and in the States receives practically anything she chooses to ask.

Eugene Stratton has drawn £200 weekly for two appearances nightly at the Coliseum. Yvette Guilbert received £50 for each appearance from Mr. George Edwards at the Empire.

Probably the biggest and steadiest salary now earned by any music-hall favourite is that paid to Little Tich. Year in year out he draws £150 per week, and is never out of an engagement.

HOSPITAL NURSES AS PEDLARS.

Illuminating Chance Sidelight on Novel Modern Methods of Advertising.

There was a curious prosecution at Kingston-on-Thames yesterday when Lesley Cameron, a middle-aged woman of Clapham Junction, who said she was a fully qualified hospital nurse, and appeared in court wearing a nurse's uniform, was charged with acting as a pedlar at East Moseley on the previous day without having a certificate.

The case for the police was that Miss Cameron was calling from house to house selling boxes of a new soap.

Her employer had informed the police that he had engaged her and ten other nurses to "introduce" this article. The ten had taken out their licences, but Miss Cameron had considered it below her dignity to do so.

The Bench discharged the accused, but warned her that a licence would be necessary if she continued her present employment.

CORPORATION AND THE OYSTERS.

Southend's Civic Fathers Must Pay a Local Trader for Damage to His Thames Beds.

Mr. Justice Buckley, in the King's Bench Division yesterday, granted £500 damages and an injunction to Mr. Alfred Hobart, a Southend fishmonger, against the corporation of that town.

Mr. Hobart owned oyster-beds at Leigh, Essex, and his contention was that these beds had suffered damage from the sewage from Southend—damage which, in his claim, he put at £12,000.

The defence of the Southend civic authorities was that any rights Mr. Hobart had were subject to their own statutory powers to drain sewage into the Thames estuary.

The Judge held that the corporation were bound to keep their noxious matter from trespassing on their neighbour's ground, and added that, in assessing the damages, he had to consider that, although the plaintiff had lost his local market at Southend to some extent, it was also necessary to bear in mind the fact that the oyster market had suffered in consequence of the recent oyster scare.

CHIEF CONSTABLE CENSURED.

Mr. Justice Grantham, at Liverpool Assizes yesterday, strongly censured the chief constable of Warrington for withholding an important statement in the case of two women charged with secretly disposing of a child's body. The women were found Not Guilty.

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"BY RIGHT OF LOVE."

Fascinating Serial Story Which
Begins in the "Daily Mirror"
on Saturday.

CHAT WITH THE AUTHORS.

There will be many *Daily Mirror* readers on Saturday who will find it a trial to their patience to wait for the next issue on Monday.

"By Right of Love," a new serial story, begins on Saturday, and, although several notably successful stories stand to their credit, Alice and Claude Askew have never done finer work than this.

"By Right of Love" will rank among the most successful serial stories of the year, recalling the great reception given three years ago to the story by which these fine writers are best known—*"The Shulamite."*

The central idea of the new *Daily Mirror* serial is one which has not been used before in modern fiction, and the plot is handled in a most ingenious way.

BORN AFTER HER TIME.

The hero is an extremely good young man, and the "villainess" is a singularly interesting and picturesque figure. She is a woman born three or four centuries after her time. Nowadays she might be considered wicked, but in bygone days she would have been simply a dramatic and striking figure.

In their pretty little flat near the Marble Arch, yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. Askew were good enough to tell the *Daily Mirror* a little about themselves and their work.

Mr. Claude Askew, who was educated at Eton, and has spent some years in travelling, was originally intended for the diplomatic service. He can talk "F.R.G.S." on to his name, and is a well-known member of the Hurlingham Club.

After his marriage to Mrs. Askew, whom he met at a literary club which he founded, he seriously adopted literature as a profession. It was not long before he and his wife began to write stories "in double harness."

METHOD OF COLLABORATION.

Their collaboration has always been singularly successful. This is their method. The story is divided into two parts. If the idea is Mrs. Askew's she writes the first part, and tells her husband how the second part should be treated. The result is perfect harmony, and the two styles blend so well as to defy detection by the shrewdest judge.

Mrs. Askew is extremely fond of flowers, and cannot work unless she is surrounded by them. In the summer, which is spent at a pretty little cottage at Maidenhead, she is in her element, for there are flowers in profusion.

Mr. and Mrs. Askew work steadily in the morning and the early afternoon dictating a great part of their work to their respective secretaries. Mr. Askew intends soon to turn to dramatic work.

The first serial which was their joint work was "Gilded London," which appeared in the "Evening News" in 1903. Their earliest literary work—short stories and articles—was done in the same year for "Household Words," which Mr. Askew sub-edited when Mr. Hall Caine was editor. Their most notable serials include "The Shulamite" ("Weekly Dispatch"), which has already run into three editions, and is published in sixpenny form; "Eve and the Law" ("Daily Mail"); and "The Premier's Daughter," one of the *Daily Mirror's* earliest serial stories, and a big success.

"Anna of the Plains," their latest book, which appeared within the last few weeks, has already reached its third edition.

DR. AWFUL BOGIE'S" PROWESS.

Hale Men "Cured" and Cleopatra Resuscitated by Means of "Fluence."

"Bogie, the Blunder Worker of the World," a highly amusing burlesque, written by Mr. Frederick Fant Abbott, is to be produced—and will probably run for a long time—at a series of musical halls.

"Dr. Awful Bogie" gives a twenty minute exposition of his "marvellous healing powers," during which he not only completely "cures" some remarkably Hale and hearty "patients," but, by means of the special brand of "fluence" obtained from his "Marvellous Electric Outfit," he brings back to life Cleopatra of Needle fame.

She emerges from a wooden mummy case on the stage to the strains of "I Wouldn't Leave My Little Wooden Hut For You," and proves the genuineness of her resuscitation by indulging in a pretty dance of gratitude.

COLONEL TO BE MASTER OF CORPUS.

Colonel Robert T. Caldwell, formerly in command of the 3rd Gordon Highlanders, succeeds the Dr. Perowne as Master of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

LAST NIGHT'S NEWS ITEMS.

Vice-Chancellor Benl stated yesterday that the recent anonymous gift of £50,000 to Birmingham University would be used for building extensions. Lord Roberts has accepted the vice-presidency of the Navy League.

Yet another mining fatality occurred yesterday in the Rhondda district of Wales—the sixth within sixteen days—when H. Williams Jones was crushed by the fall of a huge block of coal.

The Manor House, at Saltfleet, Lincs, possesses the first wall-paper ever used in England. It is cream-coloured, relieved by a bold chocolate design, and has a very rough surface.

Welsh tin-plate manufacturers speak of closing their mills, the high price of steel bars and block tin, and the lessened demand from Russia (owing to political disturbances) being the causes.

Baker Pasha, V.C.—At Southbourne-on-Sea, Hants, Major-General Charles George, formerly Chief of the Public Security Department, Ministry of the Interior, Egypt, aged seventy-six—"From one of the day's deaths.

One of the features of the second act of Mr. Seymour Hicks's new musical play at the Aldwych, "The Beauty of Bath," will be a picture ball, in which beautiful girls in splendid costumes will represent famous pictures, such as Gainsborough's Duchess of Devonshire and Romney's Lady Hamilton.

The late Vice-Admiral Sir H. T. Grenfell will be cremated at Golders Green to-day, after a memorial service at St. Mark's, North Audley-street, W.

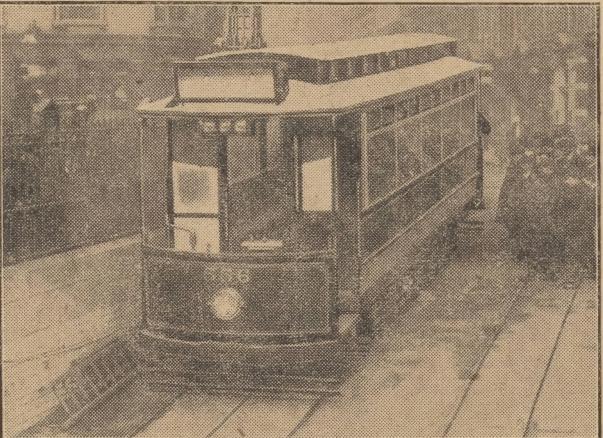
Mr. H. B. Irving will not now be seen at Drury Lane after Easter in a contemplated revival of his late father's repertory, the negotiations between him and the management having fallen through.

Lord Lovat obtained the record price of 1,500 guineas for a first prize bull at the Perth Shorthorn sale yesterday, the purchaser being Mr. Miller, of Birkenhead, who will send the animal to Buenos Ayres.

It was stated, at yesterday's meeting of the Foleshill (Warwickshire) District Council, that two cases of small-pox at the workhouse, which were removed to Coventry for isolation, cost the local authority £71 each.

The 10lb. pike in the Brighton Aquarium which swallowed a 4lb. companion last week is slowly digesting its unusual meal, and was yesterday well, and apparently not inconvenienced by the tail of its victim, which still protrudes from its mouth.

The offer of work in New Zealand to 1,000 excavators, explains the secretary of the West Ham District Committee, was sent to all local authorities throughout the kingdom, and the men must themselves, or by assistance from public bodies, defray their outfit and pay £10 of the passage-money.

TRAMCAR IN THE KINGSWAY SUBWAY.

At last the shallow tramway under Kingsway has been completed. The above shows a car coming out of the subway at the Theobalds-road end.

Hackney Infirmary is to be extended at an estimated cost of £34,541.

Sir Charles Henry Rouse-Boughton, Bart., of Downton Hall, Ludlow, has just died at the age of eighty-one.

One thousand two hundred rudd, perch, and bream have been placed in the Thames, near Oxford, for restocking purposes.

The diversion of traffic caused by carrying out street improvements was the reason assigned by a Leeds poultry dealer for his bankruptcy.

A runaway horse at Dundee plunged through the window of a branch of the Bank of Scotland, its forefoot reaching the "tellers" counter and scattering a pile of money.

It is understood that the wrestling match between Hakenschmidt and Madrali, for which a purse of £1,500 has already been offered, will take place in the third week in April.

Ongar (Essex) Guardians are petitioning the Government that all sailors and marines disabled in his Majesty's service should be maintained, if necessary, by the Admiralty.

Lord Montagu declares in the "Car"—that the multiplicity of motor-car shows is rapidly becoming a serious tax on the industry, and instances the fact that in Manchester alone there are this month two exhibitions of motor-cars.

Application on behalf of Mr. George Alexander was successfully made at Marylebone yesterday for a licence to permitt a bright little girl, Ethel Burne, to act as understudy to Miss Iris Hawkins, the child-actress, at the St. James's Theatre.

Lord Montagu declares in the "Car"—that the

Lord Colebrooke, the newly-created peer, has been appointed a Lord-in-Waiting to the King.

The dispute in the Army boot trade at Raunds is at an end, the operatives resuming work yesterday.

Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein has consented to become patron of the National Association for the Feeble-Minded.

Cuttings of sweetbriar, prematurely forced into leaf by the mild weather, were received by a West End florist yesterday from Dartmouth.

Mr. Henriff Heaton, M.P., who recently declined the honour of knighthood, was one of the callers at Buckingham Palace yesterday.

Clacton lifeboat's secretary has received £5 from William Barker, a sailor, as a thankoffering for his rescue a year ago, when the Hawkdale was wrecked off Clacton.

Three young men of Kingston-on-Thames were fined £1 each yesterday for travelling first class with third-class tickets, and throwing one of the carriage cushions out of the window.

It was iniquitous that the carriage of silk, which was frequently of less value than cotton or wool, should be placed above them in the railway scale of charges, said Mr. Blair, at yesterday's meeting of the Silk Association.

"And a good dinner too. I'm very fond of treacle-pudding," said Mr. Hall, the court missionary, at Bow-street yesterday, when a witness, enumerating her objections to the workhouse, said that on Saturdays the inmates had only treacle-pudding for dinner.

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AT HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE. Mr. T. T. T. TO-NIGHT and EVERY EVENING, at 8, *TO-THEE*. By Stephen Phillips.

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AT IMPERIAL. Mr. LEWIS WALLER, TO-NIGHT, at 9.15, *THE THREE NIGHTS*. Mr. LEWIS WALLER, THE HARLEQUIN KING. Miss EVELYN MILLARD, LAST MATINEE SATURDAY NEXT, at 2.30.

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TO-NIGHT, at 8.15, *Madame SIMONE LE BARGY*. M. PIERRE MAGNIER and M. BOURGEOIS DETOUR. TOMORROW and SATURDAY next, *Madame Le Bargy* and M. BOURGEOIS DETOUR. *MONDAY* and *TUESDAY*, at 8.15, *NERO PAS AVEO L'AMOUR*. By Alfred de Musset and Georges Courteline. Matinee, SATURDAY NEXT, at 2.30, *LE DETOUR*. *MONDAY* NEXT, at 8.15, *THE THREE WEEKS OF THE SEASON*.

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THE BOYCOTTED VICAR.

SUCH cases as that of the boycotted Oxfordshire vicar are meat and drink to the enemies of the Church of England. They know perfectly well that no institution can prosper without discipline, or influence the conduct of others unless it is able to manage its own affairs wisely. A Church which cannot govern itself cannot govern others.

This case at Stoke Lyne illustrates the anarchy which prevails in the Oxford diocese. For two years, it seems, the villagers have unanimously refused to go to church.

The vicar admits having insulted a prominent parishioner from the pulpit, and there were also disagreements in his family, in which the people took the side of his wife, who no longer lives with him.

They may possibly be wrong in their estimate of their vicar's character, but it is quite clear there can be no harmony in the village till he goes. Is it not obvious that the Church ought to have met the difficulty by appointing somebody else in his place?

That probably is what the Bishop of Oxford would have done had it been possible. But recollect how most livings in the Church of England are regarded. They are practically private property. The Church cannot interfere with the holders of them.

However unsuitable or unpopular their ministrations may be, they cannot be got rid of, or even transferred to another parish. The Church's own servants can defy her.

The first steps the Church must take if it is ever to recover the ground it has lost are to make the powers of the Bishops a reality; to stop the sale and purchase of livings as private property; to exert its authority over "undesirables" in holy orders—in a word to become a coherent system instead of a formless, undisciplined mass.

H. H. F.

WOMEN WITH A BIG W.

Whenever a man ventures on a remark about Women he is certain to be violently assailed. If he says they are old-fashioned he is pelted with evidences of their passion for everything up to date. If he regrets their tendency to go ahead too much he is bombarded with facts intended to prove that the majority of women hate modernity as much as they hate mice.

Not long ago someone said Women were quite as original as Men. Our cause arguments to show that they never were, never could be, and did not want to be. Now that Sir William Ramsay has dared to say "few women are original," the hosepipe is turned on to him. "Women are original" he is told indignantly; and then, with delightful illogicality, "and if they aren't, it's men's fault."

The fact is we cannot now talk of "women," as we talk of "monkeys" or "hens." They no longer form one species, but two. There are different classes of women. One class is satisfied to be, as all women once were, wives and mothers and companions and dependents of men. The other class is not; it aims at living the kind of life which was formerly lived only by men. It has a perfect right to do so, if it can.

That is why every statement about women, made as if they were all still animated by the same ideal, is bound to be attacked from one side or the other: sometimes from both. For between the two species into which women have divided there is bitter hostility and prejudice. It will die away in time, no doubt, but at present it is better for those who have thoughts about women to say nothing about them—if they value a quiet life.

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A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

If you will secure a contented spirit, you must measure your desires by your fortune and condition, not your fortunes by your desires.—*Jeremy Taylor.*

THIS MORNING'S GOSSIP.

THE Labour member for Stoke-on-Trent, Mr. John Ward, has already made a reputation in the new Parliament by wearing an amazing white sombrero hat, a contrast to the insignificant felt headgear usually preferred by members of his party. "Old parliamentary hands" like "T. P." (who has been commenting in print on the sombrero) seem a little relieved at seeing these strange sights, these almost theatrical accoutrements, thrown down on the respectable benches where once nothing but the irreproachable bowler hat was ever seen.

Mr. John Ward is certainly one of the most interesting members of the new group. He began at the bottom of what people call the social ladder, in a profession not usually considered to offer openings for fashionable or intellectual life—he was a navy, nothing more, and worked under that name on the Manchester Ship Canal. He has, needless to say, had the honour of arrest in Trafalgar-square. That is a qualification for distinction in the Labour Party; and, really, those who win

which shows how true this is. He and his principal assistant had been working for two months collecting the gas given off by radium until they should have enough for an experiment. At last they got to work. All went well for a moment, but soon the glass tube they were using cracked, the whole thing was spoiled, and they had to begin "collecting" again for another two months, without knowing, of course, whether they would be any the more successful the second time.

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London playgoers were very pleased to welcome Mr. John Hare back to the Comedy Theatre last night. Scarcely any other well-known actor is so seldom seen here. Can it be a certain bitterness produced by exile and long provincial wandering that makes Mr. Hare announce at what are almost fixed and regular intervals that he is going to retire from the stage? Then, when a wail of regret goes up at the sad decision, Mr. Hare's heart seems to soften, and he decides not to retire after all.

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A curious story, illustrative of the extent of the Liberal victory at the election, is being told in

THE SULKY BOY WHO WOULDN'T PLAY.



Germany, which invited the Powers to the Morocco Conference, is now, from jealousy of France, doing its best to prevent any agreement from being arrived at. It is expected the delegates will separate without any decision.

it ought to have A.T.S.—arrested Trafalgar-square placed, instead of other honorific letters, after their names.

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Women, and the position they ought to occupy in the State, were tremendously discussed during the election, because they made their voices heard, in the literal sense, so insistently; and now that the election is over women are still being discussed, their capabilities reviewed, lectures being delivered about them and at them—of which the latest example is the one given by Sir William Ramsay to the ladies of Clifton College. Women, for the most part, Sir William Ramsay thinks, lack originality.

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Sir William has often expressed his views on this subject before the last occasion. During his term as Professor of Chemistry in University College, London, he had plenty of opportunity of observing women students, and he came to the conclusion that they worked harder than the men, and that the average ability amongst them was higher. The best men, however, were always cleverer than the best women.

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Sir William Ramsay's experiments with radium have made his name better known to the great public than anything else he has done. Working with radium is a delicate matter, requiring patience, and the faculty of beginning again after many failures. I remember hearing a story about him

the Lobby of the House of Commons. It is said that a Liberal member, who took his duties lightly during the last session, brought the practice of "pairing" to a perfect system, and had arranged with four Unionists that one of them should always be ready to "pair" with him. He used to prophesy that it would not always be so easy for him to find accommodating opponents, and as a matter of fact, his four friends on the Unionist side have all been defeated, and he alone remains a member of the House!*

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M. Vladan Georgevitch, the well-known Servian Minister, has been condemned to six months' imprisonment on a charge of revealing State secrets, which shows, once more, how dangerous it is for men with the "itch for writing" to engage in politics. M. Georgevitch has always underestimated the value of golden silence, and in "The End of a Dynasty" he expressed himself too indiscreetly concerning the secret relations between Russia and his own country for the book to remain uncensured.

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M. Georgevitch first attracted the notice of the Servian authorities by his writings. Certain romances and articles he had written fascinated King Milan, and, besides, he had acquired a great reputation as a doctor in Belgrade. King Milan appointed him physician-in-ordinary at the Court, and that led to his becoming the more or less recognised political adviser to the King.

THROUGH THE "MIRROR."

MRS. LONGWORTH, NEE ROOSEVELT.

On behalf of my country, may I thank Mr. Percy M. Simpson for his most able and chivalrous defence of Mrs. Longworth?

No one who is in the least familiar with the American Press believes the startling headlines of outrageous scandals that are contradicted the following day in a two-inch space on the last page. American men hold up high physical and moral ideals to American women, and we strive to be, above all things, the perfectly natural women God intended us to be. American women do not carry dear, pure little babies into public-houses—they would be thought insane if they did—and we have no barmoids.

It is certainly time Englishmen held up higher ideals to Englishwomen, thus reducing the number of insane, consumptive, idiotic, and deformed children amongst every class.

JESSIE GREENFIELD PEEL.
Commercial Hotel, Wolverhampton.

WHY THE ACTRESS WINS:

I read with much interest your leading article on the above, and quite agree with all you say.

I am a relative of a well-known nobleman who has married an actress, and his reasons for so doing were, that the women of our British nobility and aristocracy are too manly, fast, pay more attention to their clubs and smoking-rooms than to their homes—and self-respect.

There is more sin and immorality in high society than among the middle and lower classes. Visit some of the ladies' clubs, and see the members smoking, drinking, and gambling, and then you will see why our nobility are marrying actresses and members of the middle classes.

Hotel Cecil.

SELF-RESPECT.

THE DIVINING ROD.

There is no doubt that the action of the divining rod is dependent on the person who carries it, and not on any quality in itself.

The rod has shown no movement when carried by me, after I have seen it act most vigorously in the hands of a professional diviner. On the other hand, when he held my wrist the twig behaved exactly as it had done when in his own hands.

In spite of remarkable manifestations by the rod, from my experience on the subject, I consider it would be questionable wisdom to risk money on a water scheme based on the advice of a diviner.

GORDON W. HARRIS, F.G.S.
— Greenwich. (Merryweather and Sons, Ltd.)

SMOKING ON OMNIBUSES.

This year I have had two skirts burnt through flying sparks from pipes when I was sitting behind a smoker on the top of an omnibus. The damage certainly has not been great, but sufficient to make a dress look shabby.

Also the other day a spark came in my eye. But you must not say a word or you are told that it would be better if you rode inside, or in a cab. Homerton.

NEARLY TWENTY.

A MAN OF THE MOMENT.

Mr. Herbert Paul.

MR. HERBERT PAUL, has scored a great success by his caustic first speech in the new Parliament. It has been said of Mr. Paul that he speaks no better now than he did when the Oxford undergraduates made him president of their union. This does not mean that he speaks to-day like a boy, but that when he was a boy he spoke like a man, with full mastery of very high intellectual gifts.

His books have won him a great reputation, and when he rose at eleven on Monday night the crowded House turned expectantly towards him. For twenty minutes he feasted it with epigrams. About the speech there was a strong smell of the midnight lamp, but it was delivered without a note, and also it may be added, without a gesture.

When he was on the "Daily News" he used to write at a desk so raised up that his long, thin nose and eye-glasses were within an inch of the paper, and in this position he coined night by night the epigrams which delighted the pro-Boer Party.

His opinions are not of the popular order, nor is he a very genial personality. It is said he has never learned the art of "suffering fools gladly," and the Liberals of Edinburgh, whom he represented for three years, could not forgive the want of this accomplishment. They failed to return him a second time, but Northampton will forgive much to a man so luridly Radical.

IN MY GARDEN.

FEBRUARY 21.—How splendid it is to go forth on a February morning, when clouds have departed, when the warm sun looks down! Quickly we forget the long, dark winter days.

First we visit the primrose path, noting hundreds of rising buds. Here a small bunch of violets can be plucked. Then there are spring beds and borders to linger over, for here, every new morning, fresh wonders can be found.

At midday the sun-bathed circus bank is well worth a visit, for brilliant yellow blooms begin to hide the turf.

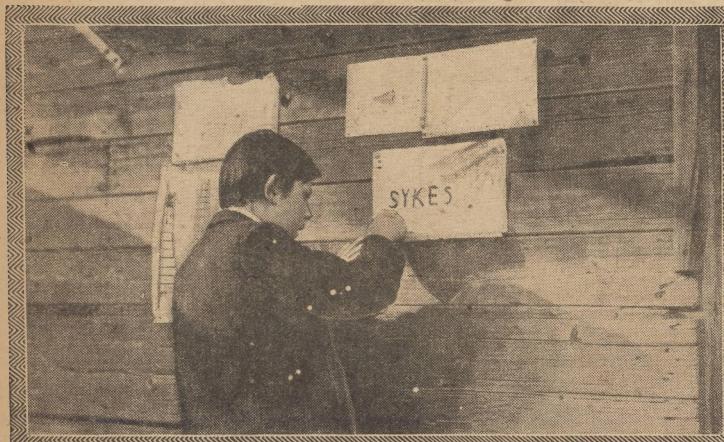
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SCHOOLBOY POLITICIANS at NORTHAMPTON



To bring the duties of citizenship home to the boys of the upper standard at Vernon-terrace Council School at Northampton, Mr. Harris, the headmaster, allowed them to conduct a general election among themselves. There were three candidates, who addressed meetings on current political questions with marked ability. They were Harry Sykes, Liberal (on the left), returned with 28 votes; Maurice Brookes, Socialist (on the right), 16 votes; and James Ward, Conservative, 6 votes. The above photograph shows the schoolroom as a polling-booth, and Mr. Harris acting as presiding officer.



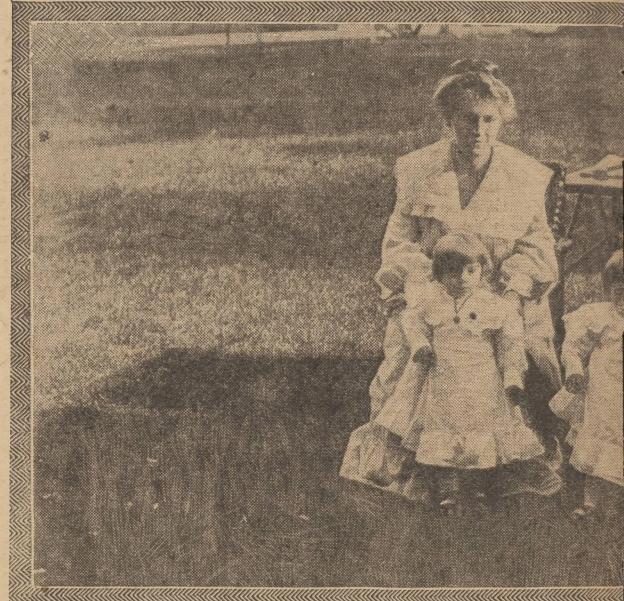
The Liberal bill-poster at work.



Two of the hand-drawn posters issued by the Liberal and winning candidate, Master Harry Sykes.

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FIGUREHEAD RELIC.



Old figurehead of H.M.S. Ganges at Boys' Training School, Harwich.

SCHOONER ASHORE.



During the recent gale The Huntress went ashore at Fleetwood, and of four in a

AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS' COMPETITION.—No. 8.



Amateur photographers are invited to send interesting news photographs to the *Daily Mirror*. For each one used 10s. 6d. will be paid, and every week a £2 2s. prize will be awarded to the sender of the picture adjudged by our readers to be the best. A voting coupon is to be found on page 4. Above photograph, sent by F. R. Tipton, 15, Glend-avenue, Knowle, Bristol, shows the crew of the Teignmouth lifeboat swarming up the mast to capsize the boat, so as to test her self-righting capabilities.

PARAGRAPHS

AND THE FAMOUS TWINS.



idence in his domestic affairs. The above is an interesting portrait of Jan Kabelik, with his wife and twins.

AT FLEETWOOD.



with a cargo of coal, feboat took off the crew sea.

LORD ASHBURTON'S BRIDE.



Miss Frances Belmont outside the church at Passy, where she was married.

"THE LITTLE STRANGER."



Master Edward Garratt, who here looks like a child of five, but is really fifteen, is "The Little Stranger" at the Criterion Theatre, and, as a baby in arms, is suitable. The joke of the play is that the spirit of a young husband has entered into the baby, who astounds and terrifies everybody by his mischief and vicious remarks. Master Garratt looks exactly like a baby, and to hear him for a whisky-and-soda and a cigarette naturally convulses the audience with laughter. (Langfier, Old Bond-street.)



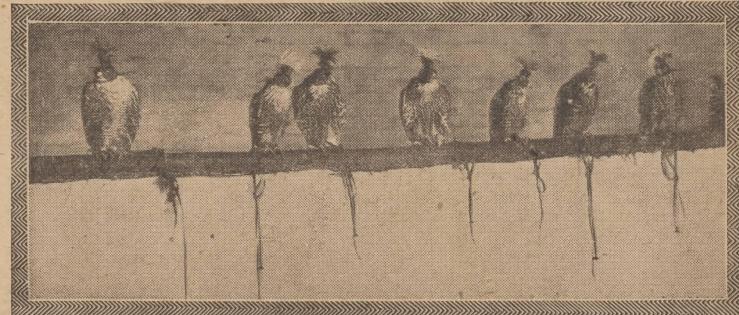
SPORT of FALCONRY REVIVED



At the King's House, Lyndhurst, where peregrine falcons have been kept for forty years. There are now thirteen under the care of Mr. Oxer, the falconer. The birds are caught in Holland, and brought to the New Forest to be trained. Above are some of the birds sunning themselves on the lawn.



A kill. The falcon has swooped down on a pigeon, and has brought it dead to earth. The birds are also flown at rooks, partridges, and pheasants, and readily account for the stoutest quarry on the wide expanse of Salisbury Plain, where the actual hawking takes place.



Peregrine falcons at the King's House, Lyndhurst, in the New Forest, in hoods and jesses, undergoing their training.

THE MONEY MARKET.

Kaffirs Recover on Rumours of Government Dissensions.

PARIS HOPEFUL.

CAPEL COURT, Wednesday Evening.—Stock markets are pulling round. There was a black morning, but the clouds were dispersed later. The accumulation of misfortunes was too much for the markets at the start, and with talk of houses in difficulties there was an all-round decline, in which Kaffirs were prominently flat. They touched record low prices for many a year. But before the day was over there was an accumulation of good points.

Paris showed more heart, and it was said that the Morocco news was better. There was a twist up in Kaffirs, too, owing to the rumours of dissensions in the Liberal Government over the policy to be followed in connection with Chinese labour. It was also regarded as certain that the rumours about difficulties were greatly exaggerated.

In regard to the markets, Consols at one time were down to 90½, but they closed 90½, although the money news to-day was not particularly encouraging. But the Treasury bills result was liked.

MR. BALFOUR AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

The Hong Kong loan proves to have been left with the underwriters for the most part, and is an illustration of the undesirability of issuing a loan by tender unless there is a glut of money in the City. The public avoid a tender issue, not understanding the method, or being in a position to fix a satisfactory price.

Mr. Balfour paid a visit to the Stock Exchange this afternoon, and provided the chief excitement of the day. He passed through the "House" piloted by Mr. Charlie Clarke. From a bench in the Mining market he made a speech of a facetious nature, and was received with great enthusiasm, there being an enormous crowd also outside the Stock Exchange when the right hon. gentleman left amid a scene of wild cheering.

Home Rails suffered with the rest of the markets in the earlier part of the day, but they rallied rather smartly later, as well they might do, considering the really satisfactory nature of the traffics. Not only were the weather conditions bad last week, but the traffic comparisons were with big increases last year. So the improved showing is though very satisfactory. The market closed more confident than it has been for some time past, the idea being that when the stocks are quoted ex-dividend presently they will in many cases look decidedly cheap.

AMERICAN MARKET DULL.

There is somebody else's birthday to celebrate in America. This time it is that of George Washington, so that the daily jubilation is understandable. But these birthdays mean the closing of the Wall Street Stock Exchange, and so in anticipation the American market has been dull, and Canadian Rails have also received a check. But with few exceptions, Foreign Rails are looking happier. They will have it that there is some sort of a combination coming off between some of the Mexican Railways, and for the rest the Argentine traffics were very much liked to-day, the Rosario managing to show a record take.

Paris seems to be getting over its slight attack of nerves, and so the little weakness in foreigners seen at the opening to-day was followed by a firm close.

MOTOR-OMNIBUS QUESTION.

Kaffirs are a very uncertain market nowadays, but it was satisfactory to notice that the extreme flatness of the morning was followed by a decided recovery, it being thought that many shares are at an attractive level. The market eased off a little in the street. There was also a better feeling in West Africans and in the Broken Hill group, but some early liquidation in West Australians was put down to one of the Kaffir houses.

There was not much to notice elsewhere. Perhaps the motor question attracted most interest. Success with motors was held to explain the buying of Humber Cycle descriptions. It was noticeable at the Darraacq meeting that this latter company consider that a perfect type of motor-omnibus has not yet been evolved.

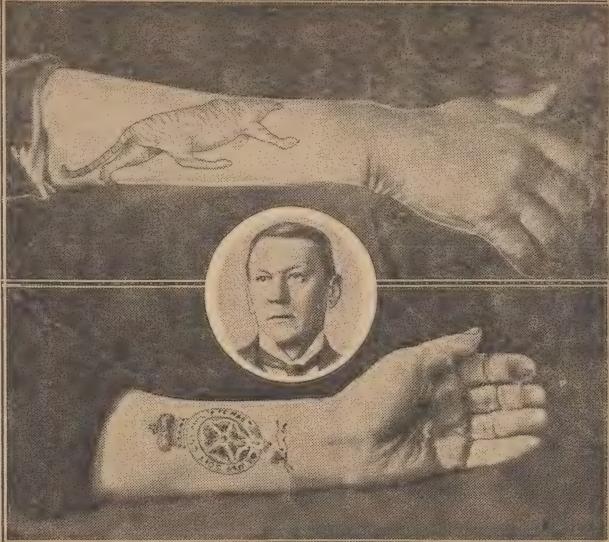
DISEASE SPREAD BY LAUNDRIES.

Making a New Criminal Offence in Order To Protect the Community.

"Will you support legislation to make the sending of infected clothing to laundries a criminal offence?"

This question, put by the L.C.C. to the metropolitan borough councils, indicates the starting of a movement that will meet with general approval. "Small-pox has been spread by the sending of infected clothing," said an officer of the Public Health Department of the L.C.C. to the *Daily Mirror* yesterday, "but while there is always some danger of infection spreading through laundries to the outside public the greatest risk is taken by laundry workers."

HUSBAND IDENTIFIED BY TATTOO MARKS.



Captain Guy Burrows, formerly in the 7th Fusiliers, was identified by his wife, who had married again thinking him dead, by the above tattoo marks. The second marriage has been annulled by the President of the Divorce Court.

SCHOOLBOY M.P.

Mock Election Fought with Great Spirit by Youthful Politicians.

"This is the proudest moment of my life. I will endeavour to prove myself worthy of your support."

With these conventional words, delivered with all the emotion of a newly-elected M.P., Master Harry Sykes opened his address to his constituents after the youngsters of the upper standard, Vernon-terrace School, Northampton, had endorsed the opinions of their elders, and returned him as Liberal "M.P." for the school by a large majority.

Mr. Harris, the headmaster, had organised this mock election, partly as an education for his pupils and partly to gauge the trend of Young England's political opinions.

The boys formed their own committees and selected their own candidates. The proud standard-bearers were:—

Harry Sykes, Liberal.
James Ward, Conservative.
Maurice Brookes, Socialist.

The boys threw themselves into the contest with great seriousness. Canvassing was carried on diligently, and every necessary formality was studiously observed.

MEETINGS IN FLAY HOURS.

Meetings were addressed during play hours in the schoolyard under the presidency of an assistant-master, and there the various questions which played a prominent part in the recent general election were discussed, forcefully and with eagerness, if not with great dialectical skill. Even hecklers were not wanting.

The Liberal took his stand on the burning question of free trade, education, Chinese labour, and the South African war, which he summarised as "a war in which very little was done, and a great deal lost."

The Conservative mainly relied for support on tariff reform, and proved himself an ardent Chamberlainite. The Socialist fought solely on the unemployed question.

Sykes's and Brookes's supporters placarded the school-sheds with cartoons, more remarkable for their political vehemence than artistic distinction. To these the only reply vouchsafed by the Conservative Party was to tear them down whenever opportunity offered.

The polling was carried through with due attention to detail and accuracy. Special ballot-boxes were provided. The headmaster acted as presiding officer, and the teacher of the senior class as polling-clerk.

Of the fifty papers returned not a single one was spoiled. Sykes headed the poll with twenty-

six votes, Brookes came next with eighteen, and Ward, the luckless Conservative, obtained a meagre six.

"After the declaration of the 11th State, who has just turned thirteen, addressed his constituents, and, after thanking them for their support, said that he trusted that the experience his schoolfellows had gained in that mock election might stand them in good stead in after life.

THE LABOUR MEMBERS.

"Daily Mirror" Readers Comment on the Outspoken Views of a "Lady Snob."

The interesting article in Tuesday's *Daily Mirror*, "St. Stephen's Transformed" in which "A Lady Snob" described with extreme candour the effect she thought the advent of Labour members in large numbers would have upon the House of Commons, formerly "the best club in London," has evoked a multitude of letters from our readers, from which the following are extracts:—

"There is a great deal of truth in what 'A Lady Snob' says," writes Lady P. "It is hard for the hereditary legislators and their kin, the backbone of the nation, to view without dismay the incursion into the Commons of a great band of workmen and agitators whose personal stake in the country is so very small. It has become a 'House of Commons' indeed, and I for one honestly deplore it. The very idea of 'tea and shrimps, 4d' fills me with horror; I do not think I shall ever want to be seen on the Terrace again."

T. M. P., Plumstead, writes: "Lady Snob's attitude shows how much Labour members are needed in Parliament, since past members have produced such empty-headed women as those who abound in present society." The House was erected to formulate laws, not to be a refreshment-shed or a reception room."

"Is it worthy of any true Britisher to look down upon his poorer brethren because they were not born with a silver spoon in their mouths?" asks B. Thompson, of Manchester-square, W. "He should remember the following lines:—

Beware of too sublime a sense
Of your own worth and consequence.

"R. W. P.," of Ealing, says:—"Lady Snob" succumbs to vanity and anything for self-aggrandisement. This time we have sent men to Parliament to do business, not to gossip to women on the Terrace."

"Common Labourer" writes:—"Lady Snob" need not be afraid. The Terrace will not be turned into a miniature Hampstead Heath. Now we shall have some business done. Would it not be remarkable if common labourers were allowed to know more than 'Lady Snob' and her associates ever dreamt of?"

"H. S." writes:—"For the fact that 'Lady Snob' will not allow her daughters to meet the Labour members we must be thankful."

FACTS CONCERNING BRAIN EXHAUSTION.

There are many sufferers from this trouble in these days of strain, stress, hurry, and effort. The brain becomes tired, worn-out, and wearied as a result of the strain that is put upon it, and as a consequence sustained mental effort becomes almost impossible, and satisfactory work is out of the question. The consciousness that this is so increases the evil, and makes it still more difficult to continue one's profession. Teachers, composers, journalists, preachers, students, business men, typists, and others all have at times personal experience of this painful condition. Work has to be done, a temporary cessation of activity is impracticable, and there is consequently a tendency to take any so-called nerve tonic or stimulant that promises to afford relief and give power to do a little more work. As a result some general tonic is used, which is incapable of rebuilding the exhausted nerves or brain, and if stimulants are taken they are positively injurious and lead sooner or later to nervous breakdown or collapse.

THE STRAIN OF BUSINESS.

There is no room in modern business life for the indolent, dull-brained, or sleepy. Work has to be done at high pressure, and in a live office nowadays everyone, from office boy to principal, has to move quickly, or be left behind in the race. Hence there are cases of nervous breakdown in every department, and more especially amongst those who have to think, plan, and arrange, and upon whose brain there is a perpetual strain. In cases of brain exhaustion, what is it that is really wrong? Brain exhaustion results from the fact that the delicate nerve and brain tissue is worn away, and needs to be replaced by new matter. Further, it is necessary to give some help to the brain and nerves to produce fresh brain and nerve tissue. And that is indicated as necessary is done by Bishop's Tonics. They both rebuild the old worn-out nerve and brain tissue, and at the same time they foster the growth of new brain and nerve tissue. Hence it is that Bishop's Tonics treatment works such wonders in brain and nerve exhaustion.

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The first task was to sketch out roughly the number of courses desirable, and it was agreed that, following the example of many smart London hostesses, the fish course should be omitted and the joint dispensed with. This reduced the number to a soup, entrée, roast with two vegetables, and a salad, a sweet, and savoury.

It was arranged at first that we should have:

essential. After peeling them, throw the artichokes into cold water, into which has been squeezed one small lemon juice. Half milk and half water may be used if white stock is not at hand.

FILLET OF BEEF WITH OYSTERS.

INGREDIENTS.—One and a half pounds of beef fillet, half a small Spanish onion, one and a half dozen oysters, one and a half ounces butter, two small pickled walnuts, two tablespoonfuls of walnut ketchup, two tablespoonfuls of flour, one gill of strong stock, half an ounce of glaze.

Grill the steak sharply for three or four minutes on either side. Melt the butter in a stewpan, add the thinly sliced onion and the flour, and brown them lightly. Then add the walnuts cut in dice, the ketchup, glaze, and a dust of salt and pepper. Mix these well together; then lay the steak on them, and pour in a gill of strong stock. Let it simmer very gently for barely an hour, unless the steak is very thick, in which case more time will be needed. Turn it frequently. When it is sufficiently cooked add the bearded oysters, and strain in their liquor. Reheat the whole gently.

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Here an awful discovery was made. Two dishes of the same colour followed each other—a white soup and a white entrée—not to mention that no meat appeared on the menu, but two birds, both white-fleshed. Had we passed these items unnoticed we should have been reckoned as culinary criminals. Fillet of beef was therefore substituted for chicken, and a dangerous crisis safely passed. Fully written out, the menu now appeared thus:—

Palestine Soup.
Fillet of Beef, with Oysters.
Roast Pheasant.
Potato Chips. Seakale. Tomato Salad.
Strawberry Cream.
Parmesan Croissants.

PALESTINE SOUP.
INGREDIENTS.—Two pounds of Jerusalem artichokes, two ounces of butter, one small onion, one stick of celery, one pint of white stock, half a pint of cream, salt and pepper, a few grains of nutmeg.

Wash, peel, and slice the artichokes, and slice the onion also. Melt the butter in a pan, and put in the artichokes, onions, and chopped celery. Stir these gently in the pan over the fire for seven or eight minutes, then add the stock and a little salt, and boil the soup gently until the vegetables are soft. Rub the soup through a hair or fine wire sieve, adding the cream and seasoning. Reheat the soup thoroughly without boiling it, and serve with it croissants of bread.

This soup was entirely prepared in the morning, only being reheated at the last moment. Great care is needed to preserve the colour of the artichokes, a wooden spoon and bright clean pan being es-

Arrange the steak on a hot dish, and pour the oysters into the centre.

Our local beef being notoriously tough, the fillet was hung in an airy larder for a week before use. If, during the cooking, the meat is allowed to boil it will become hard, so will be the oysters if they are more than gently heated through.

STRAWBERRY CREAM.

INGREDIENTS.—Half a pint of cream, four large tablespoonfuls of strawberry jam, three-quarters of an oz. of white leaf lime, two and a half ounces of castor sugar, cochineal, half a lemon, half a pint of wine jelly, five or six pistachio nuts.

Decorate a mould tastefully with melted jelly and pistachio nuts. Rub the jam through a hair sieve. Dissolve the gelatine in two tablespoonfuls of hot water, and add to it the strained lemon juice and sugar. Whisk the cream, stir it lightly into the jam purée, and when the gelatine is slightly cooled strain it in. Colour it delicately with cochineal, and pour the mixture into the mould. When the cream is set turn it out carefully.

PARMESAN CROISSANTS.

INGREDIENTS.—Two or three slices of bread, three tablespoonfuls of grated Parmesan, three teaspoonfuls of whipped cream, one hard-boiled yolk of egg, one teaspoonful of oily butter, one teaspoonful of fresh white crumbs, salt and cayenne.

Stamp out neat little rounds of bread and fry them a pretty brown. Well rub together with a wooden spoon the cheese, crumbs, powdered yolk of egg, and mix them stiffly with the cream and butter. Season the mixture somewhat highly, and heap it up roughly on the croissants. Place these in a sharp oven till just tinged with brown and serve them at once.

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